

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: May 4, 2009
POSITION: Neutral, note concerns

BILL NUMBER: SB 283
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BILL SUMMARY: Building Standards: Recycled Water Systems

This bill would allow the Department of Water Resources (DWR), in addition to the Office of the State Fire Marshal (Fire Marshal), the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and the California Building Standards Commission (Commission), to use the Building Standards Administration Special Revolving Fund (BSASRF) for activities related to design standards for potable and recycled water systems.

FISCAL SUMMARY

The Fund has received approximately \$131,000 since January 1, 2009 as opposed to the projected revenues of \$900,000 in 2009-10 and \$2 million in 2010-11. We note that the early 2009-10 Budget Act provides ongoing funding of \$278,000 to the Commission and \$280,000 for HCD. Consequently, there may not be funds available to support DWR's activities.

COMMENTS

We are neutral on the bill but note concern that there may not be sufficient funds available in the BSASRF to provide all of the departmental support envisioned by this bill.

Chapter 719, Statutes of 2008 (SB 1473) requires each city and county to assess a building permit fee at the rate of \$4 per \$100,000 in valuation as determined by the local building official. Existing law also authorizes the city and the county to retain not more than 10 percent of the fees collected for related administrative costs and for code enforcement education. Furthermore, existing law requires the city and the county to transmit the remainder to the Commission for deposit in the Fund to support the HCD the Commission, and the Fire Marshal for building standard activities, with emphasis on the development, adoption, publication, updating, and educational efforts associated with green building standards. The bill would require that moneys in the fund be also available to DWR to carry out activities related to design standards for potable and recycled water systems.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)								Fund Code
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)								
	CO	PROP								
	RV	98	FC	2008-2009	FC	2009-2010	FC	2010-2011		
3860/Water Res	SO	No	----- See Fiscal Summary -----						3144	
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>									
3144	Bldng Stnds Admin Special Revolving Fund									

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